# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF DIVISION

DAVID W. QUALLS PLAINTIFF(S)

vs. NO. *5:12CV00089* SWW

PROFESSIONAL CREDIT MANAGEMENT

DEFENDANT(S)

#### FINAL SCHEDULING ORDER

This matter is now scheduled for trial to the Court in <u>PINE BLUFF</u>, Arkansas, during the week beginning <u>May 28, 2013</u> at <u>9:30 A.M.</u>. Counsel are to be present 30 minutes prior to trial.

#### 1. <u>DISCOVERY COMPLETION</u>

All discovery including evidentiary depositions, shall be completed *no later than December* 28, 2012. The parties may conduct discovery beyond this date if all parties are in agreement to do so; however, the Court will not be available to resolve any disputes which arise during the course of this extended discovery.

#### 2. <u>MOTIONS DEADLINES</u>

- a. Motions to amend the pleading (including the complaint) shall be filed by *January 28, 2013*;
- b. Motions in limine shall be filed within the 14 calendar days prior to trial; and
- c. All other motions, including motions for summary judgment, motions to dismiss, and motions pursuant to *Daubert* v. Merrell Dow Pharmaceuticals, 509 U.S. 579 (1993), shall be filed by *January 28, 2013*.

FAILURE TO MEET THIS DEADLINE <u>MAY</u> RESULT IN DENIAL OF SUCH MOTION/PLEADING SOLELY ON THE BASIS OF UNTIMELY FILING.

#### 3. PRETRIAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION SHEET

The *Pretrial Disclosure Sheet* as outlined in Local Rule 26.2 shall be filed with the Clerk by *April 29, 2013*.

#### 4. SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

After discovery has been completed, the parties may request a settlement conference to be conducted by the Magistrate Judge. The request for such a settlement conference should be made no later than 30 calendar days prior to trial date.

#### 5. STIPULATION OF AGREED FACTS

A comprehensive *stipulation of agreed facts* shall be filed with the Clerk no later than *14* calendar days prior to trial.

#### 6. TRIAL BRIEFS & PROPOSED FFCL

Simultaneous trial briefs and proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are to be submitted to the Court *14 calendar days* prior to trial. The Court requests counsel to provide the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law saved as a WordPerfect document or Rich Text Format file attached to an e-mail addressed to <a href="mailto:swwchambers@ared.uscourts.gov">swwchambers@ared.uscourts.gov</a>. Please type the case name and number in the subject box.

The parties are urged to e-mail the briefs to <a href="mailto:swwchambers@ared.uscourts.gov">swwchambers@ared.uscourts.gov</a> with *electronic*links to citations. Westlaw has software available for download free of charge:
<a href="http://west.thomson.com/software/westcitelink">http://west.thomson.com/software/westcitelink</a>. Use of these tools in word processing documents (Corel Word Perfect or Microsoft Word) will provide automatic links to the full text documents in Westlaw. Further, the Court encourages the parties to utilize citation-checking services available online.

#### 7. <u>STATISTICAL DATA</u>

Any statistical data to be introduced into evidence shall be reduced to graph, chart or other comprehensive written form and presented to the court *14 calendar days* prior to trial. Any objection to the statistics or the factual basis thereof shall be delivered *7 calendar days* thereafter.

#### 8. MARKING & EXCHANGE OF ALL EXHIBITS

To avoid delay during trial, counsel shall mark and exchange all exhibits prior to trial, stipulating to as many as possible. The exhibits are to be listed in numerical sequence. Note stipulations and objections on the exhibit list. If there is an objection to an exhibit, attach a statement setting out the basis for both the offer and the objection. The list is to be delivered/mailed/e-mailed to Cecilia Norwood (cecilia\_norwood@ared.uscourts.gov) no later than 7 calendar days prior to trial.

#### 9. MERGERS & ACQUISTITIONS

If any party is a publicly-traded corporation, counsel should keep the Court advised of any actual merger or a pending acquisition so that the Court might prevent conflicts of interest from arising from the Judge's financial holdings.

#### 11. COURTROOM TECHNOLOGY

Counsel should contact the Court prior to trial regarding the Court's electronic equipment for presentation of evidence, and if necessary, the Court will schedule a pretrial courtroom visit in order that counsel may become familiar with this electronic equipment, which the Court expects counsel to use during presentation of documentary evidence at trial.

In the event of settlement, please notify Ms. Cecilia Norwood at (501) 604-5104 *immediately*.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 2012.

/s/Susan Webber Wright

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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#### NOTICE TO ALL PARTIES IN THIS CASE OF ACTION

The complaint in the captioned case is presently assigned to Judge Susan Webber Wright's docket. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Sec. 636(c), a Magistrate Judge can be empowered by the consent of the parties to make final disposition of the matter without reference to a District Judge for review. The Magistrate Judge can also conduct a jury trial, if one was requested by either party. Appeal from a judgment entered by the Magistrate Judge would be directly to the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit.

I am enclosing a Consent to the Exercise of Jurisdiction By a United States Magistrate Judge. If you wish the Magistrate Judge to handle the case to its conclusion, please complete the form and return it to me. I will present the Consent to the Court for approval after all parties have signed it.

I call your attention to the fact that the Scheduling Order issued in this matter contains the trial date scheduled on <u>Judge Wright's</u> docket. It is not an indication that the same date is available on the Magistrate Judge's calendar. However, the Magistrate Judge may be able to accommodate a more expedited trial date in some instances.

Yours very truly, CECILIA NORWOOD Courtroom Deputy for Judge Wright

Encs.

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

#### EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS

DAIVD W. QUALLS	_ )	
Plaintiff	)	
V.	) Civil Action No.	5:12CV00089
PROFESSIONAL CREDIT MANAGEMENT	_ )	
Defendant	)	
NOTICE, CONSENT, AND REFERENCE (	OF A CIVIL ACTION TO A	A MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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<b>IT IS ORDERED:</b> This case is referred to a Use order the entry of a final judgment in accordance with 25		
Date:		
	SUSAN WEBBER WRIGHT United States District Judge	

Note: Return this form to the clerk of court only if you are consenting to the exercise of jurisdiction by a United States magistrate judge. Do not return this form to a judge.